

Central Christian Church

Growing Our Faith, Living Our Faith, Sharing Our Faith —
Together

Strategies for Grace

...responding like Jesus during hard times.



May 8, 2016

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Welcome—Dan Simmons

Mother's Day Recognition

The Light of Christ is brought in as the service begins.

Shout to the North Purple 40 (8:30)

Call to Worship (11:00)

Praise Him! Praise Him! Red 93

Children are invited to Worship & Wonder
Today's story is: The Ascension

Time of Prayer—Dan Simmons

Come and Fill Purple 69

Prayer—Michelle Fritz

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:14-21

The Question—Choir

Sermon—Danny Couch

Give Thanks Red 528

Invitation to Communion—Seth Rash (8:30); Shannon (11:00)

The Circle of Faith (8:30)

Trust and Obey Red 556, v. 1, 2 (11:00)

Changing the Light of Christ

Closing Prayer—Danny Couch

Mission of the Church

Growing Our Faith,

Living Our Faith,

Sharing Our Faith...

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7 Elements of Our Faith

- Worship
- Studying Scripture
- Praying and Meditating
- Building Relationships
- Sharing Our Spiritual Gifts
- Sharing Our Resources
- Sharing Our Faith

What's happening at CCC—

PENTECOST



Baptism Sunday
May 15



The women of DWF will be doing Blankets for Church World Services this Sunday, May 8. For a donation Of \$5.00 a heart in honor or memory of our moms will be added to the blanket.

Disciples Women Fellowship will gather on Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 am in the Church Parlor. There will be blessing of Blessing Boxes & Hearts for CWS Blankets.



Shannon Moore will provide the program.

Women are asked to bring a covered dish to share in lunch together following meeting.

All are invited to attend!



Sunday, May 15 - 7:30 am
Cuppett (Fellowship) Hall
All are invited!

Calendar

Sunday, May 8

7:45 am—Early Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am—Worship
9:30 – 9:40 am—Coffee Fellowship
10:00 – 10:45 am—Sunday School
10:00 – 10:45 am—Baptism Class
11:00 am—Worship
4:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group
6:00 pm—Sun Discipleship Group

Monday, May 9

6:30 pm—Grace Movers Group

Tuesday, May 10

9:00 am—Prayer Group
10:00 am—DWF Meeting

Wednesday, May 11

9:30 am—Wed Discipleship Group
Wednesday Night Live!
5:30 pm—Family Style Meal—
Chicken Lasagna/Spaghetti
6:00 pm—Nursery (Ages 0 – 3)
6:15 pm—Children Activities
6:15 pm—Youth Activities
6:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal
6:15 pm—Adult Bible Study

Thursday, May 12

5:30 pm—Infinity Discipleship Group

Sunday, May 15

7:30 am—Men's Breakfast
7:45 am—Early Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am—Worship
9:30 – 9:40 am—Coffee Fellowship
10:00 – 10:45 am—Sunday School
10:00 – 10:45 am—Baptism Class
11:00 am—Worship
4:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group
6:00 pm—Sunday Discipleship Group
6:00 pm—Newcomers Gathering

If you plan to have a meeting or schedule an event at the church, or use of any equipment, tables or chairs, contact the office at office@cccweatherford.org or 817-594-3053, to check availability on church calendar to avoid any conflicts.

Thank you.

Thank you so much for all the texts, phone calls, cards and prayers. This is such a loving church and the love overflows! We are blessed to be at Central Christian Church!

Love,
Jill Mitchell

Memorial...

Given in memory of Ken Davis by David Chilcutt

Memorial for Building Fund...

Given in memory of Ken Davis by Wayne & Mable Davee

Given in memory of Ken Davis by Leo & Prissy Neely

Given in memory of Doris Pauley by Wayne & Mable Davee

Given in memory of Doris Pauley by Leo & Prissy Neely

Prayer Updates

Recovering from Surgery

Ellen Ross

In Need of Prayer

Carol & Wayne McCurdy, Diane deSteiguer, Julie, Charice Shannon, Dorothy Henderson, Judy Cassels

Remembrance & Celebration of Life

Family of George Wilson—Jaron Wilson's father

Homebound

Jo Alexander, Randy Culpepper, Dorothy Henderson

Joys

Congratulations go to Craig & Judy Atherton upon their daughter, Amy Atherton, receiving a Masters Degree in Counseling from TCU!

Why? (Again!)

Shannon Moore

In one of his sermons a few weeks ago, Danny mentioned how difficult it is to maintain the spiritual disciplines we set for ourselves. He spoke of his intention to wake up and read scripture or a devotional, and to sit in silence for just a few moments to listen for God—and how sometimes he fails to do so.

I was a little relieved when he said that, because it helped me remember that I'm not the only one who struggles with things like maintaining a daily practice of connecting with God through study or prayer/meditation. It sounds so simple—and yet I fail so often. And then I think "If I can't do a simple devotional first thing in the morning, then God surely can't trust me to do more important things." And then I feel guilty. (Anyone else relating to this?)

We were talking about that this week and Danny brought up that the apostle Paul had similar struggles of faith. In Romans 7, he writes, "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate" (v. 15).

Paul describes here how I feel exactly! And don't we all have those things in our lives that plague us? Maybe we overeat or eschew exercise. Maybe we drink too much or gamble excessively. Perhaps we gossip or are judgmental. Whatever it is we struggle with, we often find ourselves asking, "Why did I do that? — Why did I do that AGAIN?"

That moment is crucial. We have a choice right then—to either give in and continue along that path OR to tap into the vast surplus of grace and forgiveness that God offers to us. To ask not only for forgiveness for what we did, but to ACCEPT it, and ask God to strengthen us for the journey ahead.

And so we move forward. And perhaps the times between our stumbling will grow longer. And our guilt will become thinner as we live in the light of grace. And as we grow, we learn to offer that same grace and forgiveness to the people around us—and the love of God through Jesus Christ will continue to spread through the hearts of God's people.

Church Staff

Senior Minister—Danny Couch
Associate Minister—Shannon Moore
Youth Minister—Seth Rash
Children's Minister—Michelle Fritz
Faith Development Minister—Dan Simmons
Pianist/Assistant Choir Director—James Buckner
Organist—Nancy DeWees
Guitarist—Tony Brancato
Media Technician—Ryan Grant
Child Care Workers—Christy Butler, Tessa Moore, Bethani Kirby
Administrative Assistant—Joy Ellis

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Serving Schedule



Sunday, May 8

Elders: 8:30 Service: Lynn Norris & Mary Lou Curry
11:00 Service: Joe Tison & Mike Barham
Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Bonnie Decker
11:00 Service: Deacon Team Two
Greeters: 8:30 Service: Bonnie Decker
11:00 Service: Bill & Sheri Stewart
Acolytes: 8:30 Service: Ariana Guerrero
11:00 Service: Emily Carroll
Coffee Fellowship: MorningStar Class

Sunday, May 15

Elders: 8:30 Service: Lynn Norris & Mary Lou Curry
11:00 Service: Leo Neely & Prissy Neely
Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Elaine Little
11:00 Service: Deacon Team Two
Greeters: 8:30 Service: Elaine Little
11:00 Service: Pam Walker
Acolytes: 8:30 Service:
11:00 Service: Morgan Carroll
Coffee Fellowship: Sunrise/Seekers Class

Attendance and Giving

May 1, 2016

8:30 Worship: 98
11:00 Worship: 85
Sunday School: 107

Weekly Budget	11,550.25
General Offering	10,860.77
Plate Offering	8,930.00
Electronic Giving (Vanco)	1,930.77
Memorials	96.80
Memorials for Building Fund	150.00
Ecuador Earthquake Aide	100.00
Building Fees/Donations	466.00
Building Fund (Includes Vanco)	70.00

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